

CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A towing assembly, comprising:
a hitch ball receiver ~~including a hitch ball mounting aperture and a recess around said aperture~~ having at least one cavity;
a hitch ball ~~including a base and a mounting shank, said base being sized and shaped to be received in said recess;~~ and
a member connected with the hitch ball, wherein the member is engageable with the cavity to prevent rotation of the hitch ball during installation ~~fastener engaging said shank and securing said hitch ball to said hitch ball receiver.~~
2. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim ~~1~~35, wherein said recess is acircular.
3. (original) The towing assembly of claim 2, wherein said recess includes a sidewall engaging said base.
4. (original) The towing assembly of claim 3, wherein said hitch ball receiver includes a first face and a second face, said recess being provided in said first face.
5. (original) The towing assembly of claim 4, further including a second recess, said second recess being provided in said second face.
6. (original) The towing assembly of claim 5, further including a spacer sized and shaped to be received in either of said recess and said second recess.
7. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 6, wherein said recess and said second recess having a substantially oval ~~are a shape selected from a group consisting of oval, polygonal, square, rectangular, star and hexagonal~~ with two parallel flats thereon.

8. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim ~~4~~35, wherein said ~~recess~~ cavity is a channel.

9. (original) The towing assembly of claim ~~2~~ 8, wherein said hitch ball receiver is a ball mount head.

10 – 16 (cancelled)

17. (original) The towing assembly of claim 1, wherein said hitch ball receiver is a hitch bar.

18. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim ~~4~~17, wherein said hitch bar includes a tongue.

19. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 18 wherein said ~~hitch ball mounting aperture and said recess are~~ cavity is provided in said tongue.

20 – 21 (cancelled)

22. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 19, wherein said tongue includes a first face and a second face, said ~~recess~~ cavity being provided in said first face.

23. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 22, further including a second ~~recess~~ cavity, said second ~~recess~~ cavity being provided in said second face.

24. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 23, further including a spacer sized and shaped to be received in either of said ~~recess~~ cavity and said second ~~recess~~ cavity.

25. (currently amended) The towing assembly of claim 24, wherein said ~~recess~~ cavity and said second ~~recess~~ cavity ~~are have a~~ substantially oval shape selected from a group consisting of oval, polygonal, square, rectangular, star and hexagonal with two parallel flats thereon.

26. (cancelled)

27. – 33 (cancelled)

34. (new) The towing assembly of claim 1, wherein the member is a base integrally formed with the hitch ball.

35. (new) The towing assembly of claim 2, wherein the cavity is a recess.